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RANGIT HYDRO ELECTRIC POWER PROJECT IN SIKKIM
BHIM PRASAD DAHAL

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the original schedule of completion of Ranjit Hydro-electric power project in Sikkim;

(b) the original cost and the present cost as per latest price index;

(c) the names of States which are beneficiaries of the project and share of each one of them;

(d) whether there is any shortage of funds for the project and if so, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the remedial measures taken/likely to be taken in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER

(SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) : The Rangit Hydro-electric Project in Sikkim was originally scheduled to be completed in September, 1995.

(b) : The original approved cost of the Project at August 1989 price level was Rs.181.16 crores. The sanctioned revised cost estimate of the Rangit H.E. Projectis Rs.361.86 crores at May, 1997 price level. The completion cost of the project is expected to be Rs.482 crores.

(c) : The beneficiaries from the Project would be Sikkim, West Bengal, Orissa, Bihar and Damodar Valley Corporation. The share of each State would be as per the existing norms applicable to all Central hydel generating stations.

(d) & (e) : Rs.181.93 crores has been released by the Government as equity for the project. Rest of the funds have been arranged through loan by National Hydro-electric Power Corporation (NHPC).The project has been completed and is synchronised with Grid since 1st week of February 2000. In view of this no remedial measures are required.